

INTERNATIONAL SEARCH REPORT

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A. CLASSIFICATION OF SUBJECT MATTER
IPC 7 A61L29/14 A61M27/00

According to International Patent Classification (IPC) or to both national classification and IPC

B. FIELDS SEARCHED

Minimum documentation searched (classification system followed by classification symbols)

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Documentation searched other than minimum documentation to the extent that such documents are included in the fields searched

Electronic data base consulted during the international search (name of data base and, where practical, search terms used)

EPO-Internal, WPI Data, PAJ

C. DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED TO BE RELEVANT

Category *	Citation of document, with indication, where appropriate, of the relevant passages	Relevant to claim No.
X	US 5 201 724 A (CAPSTICK IAN ET AL) 13 April 1993 (1993-04-13) column 1, line 67 -column 3, line 13 ---	1-35,40
X	US 5 129 889 A (HAHN JOHN L ET AL) 14 July 1992 (1992-07-14) column 2, line 26 - line 63 claims 1-6 -----	1-6, 30-32

☐ Further documents are listed in the continuation of box C.

☒ Patent family members are listed in annex.

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Although claims 36-39 are directed to a method of treatment of the human/animal body, the search has been carried out and based on the alleged effects of the composition.

Continuation of Box I.1

Rule 39.1(iv) PCT - Method for treatment of the human or animal body by surgery

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Information on patent family members

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